## **EXHIBIT A**

January 3, 2024 Email Chain

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Subject: RE: Service of Privilege Log; Response to Request for Extension of Sanctions Motion Deadline

**Date:** Wednesday, January 3, 2024 6:51:15 PM

Attachments: image001.png

image002.png

## If the attachment is being withheld as well, it should be full described. Right?

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Cary,

See the note at the top left of page 1. The blank ones are attachments.

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Ben: I am shocked by the size of the log. I have only had a moment to glance at it, and I am struck by the number of documents listed that have no information in the sender or recipient fields. Can you explain? I would appreciate any information you can share that explains the absence of this information. Thanks Cary

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Dear Cary et al.:

## Happy New Year!

Attached for service is the itemized privilege log which Judge Cheesbro ordered us to provide on or before January 3, 2024. I do not intend to serve a certificate of service unless you feel one is

needed.

At this time, I am not able to consent to your request for an extension of time to file a motion for sanctions.

I hope your trial preparations are going well.

Regards,

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**From:** Ben Perkins < <u>bperkins@olivermaner.com</u>>

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**Subject:** Re: Sanctions Motion Deadline

I'm traveling today but will be in touch as soon as I'm able to speak with co-counsel.

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**From:** Cary Ichter < <u>Clchter@IchterDavis.com</u>>

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Ben: Any response to this? Cary

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Ben: As you know, the Court has given us 30 days from the date of its December 22, 2023 Order to file any motion for sanction related to the subpoenas served on CCBOER in the Summer of 2022. We would like to move that deadline for two reasons. First, there is no assurance that all privilege log issues will be resolved by that time. If, for example, the revised privilege logs give rise to requests for further production or an *in camera* review, we do not think a 30 day window will afford us sufficient time to address all pertinent issues.

Additionally, we expect that there is a good chance we will still be trying the *Curling* matter on January 22, 2024, and even if we are miraculously finished by January 22, the trial will have likely consumed all of our available bandwidth in early and mid-January.

We would suggest that we be afforded 14 days following the trial to submit motions regarding the privilege log. We would report to the Court when the trial ends. If none are filed, we would be given an additional 14 days to submit any sanctions motion. If any motions are filed, the Court will indicate in any order resolving any such motion when the sanctions motion will be due.

Pls let me know if we can report to the Court that you consent to this proposal. Cary

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